

## STORMS AND CYCLONES.

Much Damage Done Throughout the Western States.

## COMMUNICATION IS CUT OFF

With Many Cities—Floods Rampant in Nebraska—Hail and Electrical Storms General—But Meagre Accounts are Received.

Up to a late hour this morning it is impossible to obtain the news from many sections of the country. Owing to the severe rain storms that have prevailed in almost every direction the wires have been rendered worthless, and communication with Chicago, New York, Washington and other important news centers is almost entirely cut off. The meagre reports received show the storm to have been general, though aside from the temporary inconvenience noted, the actual damage is probably not very great.

## SEVERE STORMS IN THE WEST.

A Waterspout in Nebraska—Cyclones and Hail Storms Elsewhere.

CHANDLER, NEB., May 28.—The water spout which broke in the northwestern part of Daves county Saturday night submerged five miles of track, on the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroad and washed away numerous bridges. It has rained hard since 4 o'clock last night without stopping and the country is flooded. Farmers all along the White and Lone Tree rivers have had to abandon the houses, a number of which have been washed away. White river has risen sixteen feet in forty minutes. The water came down almost in a solid wall. It is impossible to cross. White river, as all the highway bridges are washed out, and it is feared that great damage has been done further northwest, as the water spout came from that direction. Captain J. A. Sweet, a farmer, lost fifteen head of cattle and one head of horses, the water coming in such a flood that it carried the live stock along with it. Mr. Sweet came across the river in a boat and reports that terrible damage has been done to other farmers, both in loss of live stock and crops. The rivers are still rising and it is raining.

The cloud was plainly visible from here, and it had the appearance of a rolling mass of black cloud revolving like a cyclone cloud, and entirely different from a cyclone cloud. The last one occurred three years ago, and carried away the entire railroad camp, which was then building the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad.

A Quincy, Ill., dispatch says: Not in the last fifteen years has such a rain storm visited this section of the country as the one which struck here last night. There were two showers, one in the early part of the night and the other about 11 o'clock in the morning, and the total amount of water which fell was 2 1/2 inches.

A telegram from Indianapolis, Ind., says: A furious storm passed over the neighboring country of Hendricks, doing much damage. A farmer named Bunson and two horses were struck by lightning and killed. Bunson's barn was destroyed.

A heavy thunder and hail storm accompanied by a strong wind prevailed at Charleston, Ill., yesterday afternoon. A Davenport, Iowa, dispatch says: The severest hail storm known in years began at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and continued 17 minutes. Lightning and rain accompanied it. Some of the hail stones weighed one ounce. Many windows were broken and trees badly cut. Growing crops suffered seriously.

Reports from different points in the interior of Nebraska report the heaviest rain fall for years. Many settlers living in sod houses had to abandon their homes and seek safety elsewhere. All reports say the rain is still falling with no sign of abatement.

A heavy thunder storm swept Leavenworth, Mich., last night, accompanied by a small cyclone. Fences were torn down, eight buildings were wrecked, trees uprooted and great damage done. It was one of the severest storms ever experienced in that section.

## Terrible Storm at Ravenswood.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

RAVENSWOOD, W. VA., May 28.—A hail storm occurred here at 1:05 this afternoon that beat everything ever before seen in this section, and lasted about five minutes. They were of the size of hen eggs and smaller, and completely covered the ground, our streets having the appearance of being gravelled. They came with such severity as to cause horses in our streets to break loose from their fastenings and run wildly about the streets.

## The Storm Down the River.

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PARKEERSBURG, W. VA., May 28.—When the Ohio River train reached here this evening the engine's headlight had been broken out by the hail and some of the windows were broken to pieces. Passengers reported that the enormous size and that the wind and hail did great damage.

## Killed by Lightning.

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RAVENSWOOD, W. VA., May 28.—Yesterday at Striversville, a little village of Meigs county, Ohio, Mrs. William Meigs, while sitting in her house, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Her husband and little son were also badly shocked, and Dr. Simmons thinks their recovery also doubtful.

## Killed by a Tree.

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CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 28.—Mr. Robert Shannon, of Elk, while in the yard yesterday afternoon feeding his chickens during a violent wind storm, was killed by a tree falling and breaking his neck.

## The Storm in Ohio.

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CHICKLAND, O., May 28.—A terrific wind storm passed over Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania this afternoon. At Canton, O., one of the big buildings of the Duber Watch Company, which had just been completed, was blown down. Much damage was done.

## Great Damage at Titusville.

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TITUSVILLE, PA., May 28.—The cyclone struck this city at 2:30 p. m., and was accompanied by a cloud burst, which deluged the city. Whole avenues of trees were blown out, smokestacks and chimneys demolished, and houses and barns lifted into the air and thrown down and smashed to atoms. Mrs. J. R. Barber and family were thrown from a buggy and slightly injured. Frank Baughman, with similar experience, had his body hurt. Plate glass fronts in dry goods

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## THE MAJORITY OF THE PARTY

In Full Sympathy with their Spirit. Mills' Little Scheme Did Not Carry—Democrats Forced to Show Their Hands.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—Wise counsels ruled in the Republican caucus Saturday evening. The three resolutions passed unanimously were each in full sympathy with the feelings of a vast majority of the party. The attention of the country has been called to the necessity of refusing the proposition of Mr. Mills to vote upon his tariff bill without considering it by sections, and the caucus in its third resolution determined not to depart from the regular method of disposing of this bill, that is, to consider it by sections and paragraphs.

The intention of Mr. Mills in making this proposition was to secure Republican aid to drag down his own party into the support of his crude free trade measure. The proceedings in the Democratic caucus Saturday night fully proved that. The action of the Republicans on this question was eminently proper. The bill may be so amended by Mr. Mills and his cohorts, but it is not the first step toward free trade. The Democratic members, each anxious to protect every industry, may have been a little impatient, but they were right in their own minds. The bill may be so amended by Mr. Mills and his cohorts, but it is not the first step toward free trade. The Democratic members, each anxious to protect every industry, may have been a little impatient, but they were right in their own minds.

At any rate, the Republicans lose nothing by the discussion, and that the Democrats are fearful is shown, first, by the rejected Mills proposition, and now by the attempt that is being made to limit debate to adopt the English system of cloture by amending the rules so as to allow a majority to order a vote when it sees fit. Of course, if any such attempt is made, the Republicans will resist by every device known to parliamentary law.

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to fix the time for the consideration of general pension legislation was a proper one—proper not only in itself, but because of its political effect. It will force the Democrats, both in the House and the Senate, to show their hands.

The second resolution, to force the consideration of the Blair educational bill, shows the only method by which that excellent measure can be removed from the committee which Speaker Cleveland, by direction of President Cleveland, stocked to straighten it. If there are Democrats in the House who do not favor the Blair bill, they will have to show their hands in the House of the United States.

All arrangements have been completed for the reception of President Cleveland in this city on Decoration Day and for the parade of the Grand Army posts. The President will review the parade at the Tenth monument, in Madison square, and he will be surrounded by the members of the municipal government, headed by Mayor Hewitt. The President's escort will consist of the veteran battalion of the Old Guard, Major McLean commanding, led by the Tenth Regiment band, of Albany, and a guard of honor selected from Grand Army posts and citizens auxiliary committee.

The distinguished veterans who will be seen in the parade are Gen. John Newton, Franz Sigel, Daniel Butterfield, John C. Cochrane, Joseph B. Carr and Daniel E. Sickles. In the evening exercises will be held in the Grand Army Open House, where General M. Depue will deliver an address and Col. Robert Ingersoll an oration.

## THE IRON MARKET UNEASY.

Protection the Keynote to Our Property.

NEW YORK, May 28.—One of the oldest iron masters in the country is Joseph Corns, of Massillon, Ohio, who is at the head of a large rolling mill. He is a native of Wales, but he has been making and manufacturing iron here since 1837.

Chatting here about the present condition and future prospects of the iron trade, he said: "At no time since I have been acquainted with iron making in this country has it been so low as now. It has not reached my concern yet, because we manufacture specialties on long contracts, but if the depression lasts until fall we and a great many others will be in a bad way. The tariff question has much to do with it. I have made up my mind not to worry over the prospective reduction, because I think I can stand whatever the country can stand. I know what the result will be, and I have lived through it in 1857 and 1857. Protective tariff is the key-note of our prosperity."

## DE. ABBOTT ACCEPTS.

He Formally Succeeds Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

BROOKLYN, May 27.—Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., has accepted the permanent pastorate of Plymouth church. At the close of the morning sermon he said that when he took the temporary pastorate he had no idea that he would be called to remain permanently.

The nearly unanimous action of the church Friday night had determined him to accept a position which he, as well as all others, knew he was not completely fitted for. So far from being surprised, he said there had been some opposition to him, he was surprised that so many should favor him. He felt that his long devotion to the church and his close friendship with Mr. Beecher were all that qualified him for the position, and they alone influenced him in accepting the call.

## Journeyman Brewers Out For Good.

NEW YORK, May 28.—To-day was the last day given the striking journeyman brewers to return to work by the brewers. The men not having done so, all communication between them and their previous employers has ceased, the brewers having declared the strike as ended.

## Long Lost Records Found.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., May 28.—The officers of the St. Croix and La Crosse district land office, in Wisconsin, while looking over the old records and filings in the office at St. Croix, have discovered about one thousand old land patents which have been missing for over thirty years.

## A Consul Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—The steamer City of Sydney from China yesterday brings news of the death on the 17th of April of J. C. Voight, United States Consul at Manila City, of the Philippine islands.

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